

**ELK GROVE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, July 5, 2005 – 6:30 p.m.
EGCSD Administration Building**

ATTENDANCE:

Directors present included Gil Albiani, Gerald Derr, Doug McElroy, Elliot Mulberg, and Elaine Wright.

General Manager Donna Hansen, Fire Chief Keith Grueneberg, Administrative Services Director Jeff Ramos, and Interim Administrator of Parks and Recreation Sue Wise were also in attendance.

A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. President Mulberg called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.
2. Park Maintenance Supervisor Dave Womack led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Mulberg reported direction was given to District Legal Counsel earlier tonight in execution session, with regards to ongoing litigation.

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Sue Wise introduced Paul Mewton, the Parks and Recreation Department's new Landscape Architect.
2. Dyrice Ramirez showed a short video on skate boarders and announced four Skate Park users will be participating in this month's California State Game. He thanked the Board for their continued support of skateboarding.

General Manager Hansen reported staff is looking to install a shade structure at the Skate Park for observers, and is also looking at options to increase user time for beginners and the very young users who are very much enthused and want to learn how to skate.

3. The Board received a presentation from Recreation Supervisor Mike Dopson on the Ellis Life Guard Training Program implemented at the District. The Program was put to good use on June 15th, when a participant in a water aerobics class had a seizure in the water. Thanks to staff's quick response, the victim was retrieved, stabilized, and transported to a hospital and is now doing fine. The Board acknowledged Sarah John, Nathan Gregoire, and John Cavazos - the three lifeguards on duty during the incident, by presenting them with certificates of appreciation for their diligence and hard work.
4. The Board received and acknowledged correspondences of appreciation to District employees, as presented by General Manager Hansen.

C. GENERAL MANAGER/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

1. General Manager Hansen announced Kelly Crowder and Kelly Gonzalez have accepted Administrative Analyst positions in the Parks & Recreation Department; in their new roles, they will be devoting a lot of time to community outreach on existing and new projects. As requested by community activists, a forum is tentatively scheduled at the Wackford facility on July 16th or 17th where representatives from the City and CSD can answer questions from the public.

2. Administrative Services Department – Jeff Ramos reported staff is busy working on the final Fiscal Year 2005-06 budgets and thanked the Board for the recent approval of the preliminary budgets for the EGCS D and the District Wide Landscape & Lighting Assessment District; staff had a busy month processing over 800 bills and 500 payroll checks; prep work is in progress for the Board Room and conference room remodels; renovations to the former Fire Admin offices is near completion in anticipation of the Administrative Services Department move; and staff will be closing out District records for the 2004-2005 fiscal year in preparation of the District's annual audit.

By way of facilities – Elk Grove Park had a total of 82 rentals during the month of June. The Kloss Complex hosted three softball tournaments, bringing in 60 area teams. The Town Hall had 12 rentals and co-sponsored one event; the Pavilion and Strauss Island had 17 rentals and co-sponsored 18 events; and the Wackford Complex hosted 20 rentals and 2 co-sponsored rentals, including a training session for Elk Grove Pups with a Vision – Elk Grove's Chapter of the guide dogs for the blind.

3. Parks & Recreation Department – Sue Wise indicated July proved to be a busy month for the Recreation Division, with Farmers' Market scheduled on Thursday evenings, Concerts in the Park Friday evenings, and Camping in Elk Grove Park this Friday and Saturday night. Staff met with Playground Partners to discuss development of the play ground. The Ehrhardt Park will go out to bid in late July; construction is expected to start in late August. Finally, renovation work on the Elk Grove Park restrooms will start after the Harvest Festival, when most other activities will conclude at the park.
4. Fire Department – Chief Grueneberg stated due to the amount of information that needs to be collected and assembled, his report will be deferred to the next meeting. The July 4th holiday proved to be a quiet one for the Fire Department, with few citations issued, confiscation of some illegal fireworks, and an incident where a device had to be disabled due to the potential of blowing out windows.

D. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. None

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. The Board approved the June 21, 2005 *Special* Board meeting minutes. McElroy-Derr, unanimous.
2. The Board approved the June 21, 2005 *Regular* Board meeting minutes with a correction to Item A2: "Tom **Pooler** led the Pledge of Allegiance." McElroy-Wright, unanimous.
3. The Board approved Resolution No. 2005-86, in honor of Mary Lewis for her contributions to the Elk Grove Community. McElroy-Derr, unanimous.
4. The Board approved Resolution No. 2005-88, adopting the Sacramento County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. McElroy-Derr, unanimous.
5. The Board approved staff's recommendation to extend the hours of operation to 10:00 p.m. at the Skate Park through August 29, 2005, the beginning of the traditional school year. Wright-Derr, unanimous.

F. ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. President Mulberg opened the Advertised Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. to hear and consider objections, if any to the proposed weed abatement. With no objections heard, the public hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m. The Board approved Resolution No. 2005-87, ordering the Fire Chief to cause the nuisances as listed in Attachment "A" to be abated through removal of weeds. Albani-Derr, unanimous.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. None

H. STAFF REPORTS

1. The Board received a report on the community outreach and development plan of action for seven new parks in 2005-06. Each of the parks sites are determined to be the highest priority for development, with three of the new parks serving the southern half of East Franklin. The unnamed parks will be forwarded to the Park Naming Committee for consideration. The Board concurred with staff's recommendation the Morse Park master plan be re-evaluated to include community input on park and playground designs, as well as integrating a smaller scale community center concept into the park system. Community outreach is scheduled for August through November; upon completion, staff will forward to the Board a conceptual master plan for approval based on feedback and input received.
2. The Board affirmed the following policy direction on accepting landscape corridors for maintenance:
 - a. The CSD will accept the deed in fee title and maintenance responsibilities for future CSD-owned corridors. McElroy-Derr, unanimous.
 - b. The CSD will not accept the deed or maintenance responsibilities for future commercial or City-owned corridors. McElroy-Derr, unanimous.
 - c. The CSD will accept maintenance responsibilities for only "in-progress" corridors if a) a deed in fee title is provided to the CSD; or b) an easement is provided to the CSD for maintenance of commercial property. Derr-Wright, unanimous.

I. BOARD OF DIRECTORS BUSINESS

1. None

J. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. None

K. IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING

1. Due to the fact Carl Amundson is not good health, President Mulberg, with concurrence from the Board, asked staff to consider holding a ground breaking ceremony in his honor as opposed to a park dedication ceremony upon completion of the Amundson Park. Director Derr stated the same holds true for Dave Morse and asked that staff consider a groundbreaking ceremony for the Morse Park as well.

L. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. None

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. As reported by President Mulberg, the Board met earlier in the evening and direction was given to Legal Counsel on the following item:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)

Elk Grove Community Services District vs. City of Elk Grove

Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 05A200612

O. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Board meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Hansen
Secretary of the Board